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MERCHANT TAILOR MAIN STREET.

## LAC SEUL RAILWAY BYLAW PASSED BY THE COUNCIL.

### Board of Aldermen Hold Special Meeting When the Rat Portage, Keewatin & Lac Seul Railway By-law Receives its Second Reading in Committee.

A feeling of great satisfaction is expressed on all sides this morning, over the prompt and business-like action of the Council, in meeting specially for the purpose of going over that long and extremely tedious by-law, or memorandum of agreement in regard to the Rat Portage, Keewatin and Lac Seul Railway.

Right here is a fitting place to give the council a word of appreciation not only for their lively work in regard to this bill, but also for the splendid record they have made this year. There has never yet been a council who can produce such tangible and beneficial results of a brief twelve month's regime as can the Aldermanic body of 1902. They have not only reduced the taxation four mills, and yet largely increased the city's revenue, but as such a statement itself implies, they have very thoroughly organized the business of the city, and with the assistance of Town Clerk Currie, the most efficient, zealous, and painstaking official the corporation ever had, have succeeded in reducing a haphazard, Venezuelan-like chaos, into a concrete business concern, which can show its profits, and describe its policy as clearly as a C. P. R., or a Trust and Loan

corporation.

The passage of the Lac Seul bill, will be a dramatic incident, and will be a fitting climax, on which to ring down the curtain on Monday night. The close of that meeting will mark an epoch in the history of Rat Portage, for before such another final meeting is held, a year hence, hundreds of workmen will be employed, burrowing through hills, and leveling gorges, and making straight the way for the laying of the steel bands that will bind Keewatin and Rat Portage besides throwing out a long iron arm that will grasp the wealth of the north, and bring it to the heart of Lake of the Woods.

The new Railway will enter Rat Portage, at the end of Second at the head of which the pilot point west, in the direction of Keewatin. But before this is accomplished, Rat Portage will have become a busy centre, for besides the latest, rics already established, here which must be greatly stimulated, the advent of the new road, there will be spent inside of one year, from Dec. 1st, 1903, at a conservative estimate, about a quarter of a million dollars. And when we begin to consider that it will be kept up for

some years, to come, it is easy to realize the importance of the council's promptness in dealing with this matter.

The riches of the district between here and Lac Seul have already been described in these columns, and excerpts published government explorer's reports, but little or no information has been given out about the train country again of Lac Seul which must also become tributary to Rat Portage, as soon as the powers in the present charter have been required.

In regard to the other proposed railway to Lac Seul, we may confidently surmise that it is built from Port Frances, that a construction work is commenced there and followed according to the programme mapped out in the application to parliament on road will be completed some years before a completion can possibly reach Lac Seul, and as it is about time to be connected with the Canadian Northern and the American roads, it would be the light of day to start anywhere but at Port Frances, where railway company can possibly reach Lac Seul, the prospect of a necessary main

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We have now advanced the price of our tobacco. Another coming tobacco. Hot, Carroted, and Fairlay when tobacco are the same price and price to the consumer as formerly. We have also extended the time for redemption of S. O. S. tags to January 1st, 1903.

**THE EMPIRE TOBACCO CO. Limited**

Holders of Hospital Calendar Scheme Day Cards are requested to have them filled and handed in at as early a date as possible. Some of the collectors have been very successful, and the Hospital Aid hopes soon to be able to report a good sum realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Sutherland, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sutherland, Second street.

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# Gold Bricks From Big Master

THE COMPANY IS STILL SHORT OF FUEL AND THE MILL IS NOT RUNNING CONTINUOUSLY. BATTERIES AND PLATES PRODUCE \$24.00 PER TON.

A clean up of the batteries and plates at the Big Master mine, was made on Monday last, when 276 ounces of gold bullion was gathered in. The gold represents the value minus the concentrates, of a twelve days run, during which 240 tons were milled. The Wabigoon Star speaking of the run says:—Taking the value of these bricks as being approximately \$5,600, this would give a value of \$21 to the ton, on the plates and in the battery. As this ore carries a 2 per cent. concentrates valued at \$60 a ton, these would give an increase of about \$2,500 to the twelve days run, which is considered a very creditable performance.

This mill run has been made under great disadvantages, the mill having to be constantly shut down for lack of fuel and it has been all the amalgamator could do to prevent the mill from freezing up, while Billy Shovel hustled around for wood. The management should remedy this immediately and let contracts for wood

sufficiently large to put them through from 12 to 18 months ahead as it is impossible to get power with out fuel. Foreman Shovel, then whom no man knows better the underground workings of the Big Master, is of the opinion that they have a grand mine but must keep themselves supplied with fuel, and sink further if the company desires the full benefit of its past labors and of the untold wealth existing at a greater depth.

It is understood that Manager Pickering, will, at the annual meeting of shareholders at Buffalo, lay a number of powerful and incontestable arguments in this direction before the directors and shareholders.

Manager Pickering returned from the Big Master on Monday en route to Constantine, Mich., where he will spend Christmas with his family. Before returning he will attend the annual meeting of his company to be held at Buffalo, on Jan. 1, 1903, at which meeting matters of the greatest importance will be discussed.

## THE OLIVE MINE.

This operation in Mine Centre have again been resumed, and it is expected that before spring several of the old mines will be in operation. A force has been put to work pumping out the Olive mine, and as soon as the pits are clear of water the company now controlling the property intend to develop and work it extensively. Work at the Olive mine, may be resumed in February. The affairs of the old company have been wound up, and a new company will be floated to work the property. The equipment of the Olive mine is the best in New Ontario.

A gang of bushmen, mostly Poles, arrived in town yesterday and made things lively for a while. They were from one of the tie camps.

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 Central School 50 Cords Dry  
 500 Cords Green  
 North Ward 25 Cords Green  
 South Ward 25 Cords Green  
 W. W. Norman 25 Cords Dry  
 25 Cords Green

Tenders will be considered for the whole amount for any part thereof. Kind of Wood must be distinctly specified in Tender. It must be a good four foot long. The green wood to be suitably cut to consist largely of Jack Pine, and Tamarac. The dry wood must be delivered immediately and the green wood before March 1st next.

The Board of Education for the Town of Rat Portage.—

W. SHEGAMILLER, Secretary Treasurer.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Priscilla Ann Kilham, passed peacefully to her rest last Sunday morning, Dec. 14th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edna Rat Portage. She was born in Sussex, England County New Brunswick, in 1851. Her father, Jacob Schofield, and the family resided in the Marquette area.

She was left a widow twenty-one years ago. Three daughters and one son have called her home and now remain to mourn her loss. A large circle of friends gathered at the funeral in the Tabernacle Baptist church where she was a faithful attendant. The pastor, Rev. D. B. Dick, spoke from the words, "cast me not out in time of old age." He said we must when our strength fails, "showing the preciousness of friendship, especially of divine friendship, for only He can be with us when we must pass through the Valley of the Shadow of Death." The remains were interred in the Lake of the Woods cemetery.

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WATCH EXPERT and ISSUER OF MAR-RIAGE LICENSES.

## THE WENDIGO GOLD MINE

Development Work at the Witch Bay Claim is Disclosing a Rich Ore Body.

Mr. Fred Pfau, manager of the Wendigo mine, Witch Bay, in town this week, purchasing supplies for his camp.

In conversation with a Minnetonka reporter, Manager Pfau said that development now proceeding both east and west, along the hundred to level, is disclosing large supplies of rich ore, the vein holding an uniform width of five feet.

Mr. Pfau had a sample of ore taken from the east drift. It is, in fact, any other ore found in this district, being an almost complete metal conglomerate in the rich B. C. ores, and is the product of their veins, but with just sufficient gangue to pass through it, to make it yield in stamping and concentrating, and afterwards, most likely, chlorination. It is the intention of the Wendigo people to install a large concentrating plant at an early date.

## DR. McLEAN INTERVIEWED.

The well-known missionary tell some interesting stories of the Northwest.

Rev. Dr. McLean, of Carman, Man. in a recent talk on the Northwest Indians said that when he first went west he had not mastered the Indian language, so to speak the gospel he had to employ an interpreter. This man, a curious sort of being, between a negro and an Indian, demanded a dollar an hour. When his hour was up he would turn to Dr. McLean and the sermon was at an end.

Dr. McLean tells of the effect of the climate upon the Indian. Along the rugged coast of British Columbia the redman was short in stature and vigorous in action, with strong nasal bones and by nature artist. Where the indentations in the coast are greatest there is the more rugged and the more fertile. The coast Indian was contrasted with the big-bodied inland Indian, with his undeveloped brain. The Indian who lived inland was too lazy to either work or fight.

The languages of the different races of the Indians were spoken of by Dr. McLean, who probably has mastered more of the languages than any other white man in the west. Indeed, it has been said that Dr. McLean could speak every Indian language. He however, did not claim any such achievement, for he told how present at the talk there were 2,600 languages and if he could speak them all, then he guessed he might be admitted to a professorship in Victoria University.

In the mind of Dr. McLean the Cree language is just as beautiful as the Greek. The struggles of Dr. McLean in mastering the language were told in a most interesting way. The speaker did not tell the story as a dialect or language on the face of the earth that did not have beautiful laws. God had made all laws or language as real as the laws of nature. He believed there was a connection between religion and language, and said that the language of mankind showed the Divine hand.

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"I have no more nervous headaches and rest very well at night."

When a woman suffers from female weakness and irregularity or other forms of womanly disease, the effect is certain to be marked in her nervous system, the general effect being, as in Mrs. Woodin's case, "nervous headaches, restlessness at night" and a run-down condition. It is simply common sense then, which says if you cure the female weakness, irregularity, etc., you will cure the nervousness, sleeplessness and other consequences of womanly disease.

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them at various points on the shore, everything but traps and a tomahawk in this canoe, he went ashore, and was returning after setting his last trap, when he saw a bear cub running around in an open patch of ground. He went towards it, and the little animal seeing him, climbed up a tree, and squatted on a branch about twenty feet above the ground, gravely regarding its pursuer. Mr. Tremblay, out a pole some eighteen or twenty feet in length, attached a slip cord to it, and dangled it in front of the cub. The latter at first sniffed suspiciously at the contrivance, but unable to resist the temptation attempted to hit the dangling loop with one of its little paws. The next moment the paw was caught, and the cub was gently lowered to the ground, protesting against the indignity with faint squeakings. The loop was quickly unfastened. Mr. Tremblay took the cub in his arms and started to walk leisurely towards his canoe. Then the squeak of the little captive was suddenly followed by a deeper cry. The hunter turned, saw the mother of the bear coming toward him at full speed. "Then he said, 'I run,'" says Mr. Tremblay when telling the story, "never so fast in his life." Straight to the canoe he ran, threw the cub into the craft, seized his musket, turned and shot the mother bear, which was within ten paces of him. The cub throve in captivity, and was afterwards sold to a Hudson Bay factor. When asked why he did not throw the cub away as soon as the chase commenced, he answered smilingly "I was not thinking about that until sets all done."

# KING CASH

## CORNER FORT and MATHESON STS.

The Christmas Season is now approaching and you careful, yet hospitable housekeepers are thinking no doubt, of the good times you have had at this festive season, of the year when:

## "Down Home"

and no doubt you are comparing Western prices with the prices in the busy Eastern Towns. We have been doing some comparing ourselves, and we have in our office a list from a famous Toronto House and a comparison of our prices with theirs makes us think that we are

## Not Behind the Times But Right in the Swim.

### The Great Departmental Stores in Toronto Advertise:

Mixed Nuts,	15c per lb.
New Walnuts,	15c. per lb.
New Filberts,	Not Quoted.
New Dates	2 lbs for 15c.
Granulated Sugar.	Price not quoted.
Finest Selected Valencia Raisins	10c
Finest Seeded Raisins,	12c
Fresh Imported Lemon and Orange Peel,	15c
Fresh Imported Citron Peel	18c
Finest Cleaned Currants, 3 lbs	@ 25c
Finest Sultana Raisins, per lb	13c.

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The Indians of the west had three kinds of schools—day schools, boarding school and industrial schools.

The lamentations of a squaw when she loses her papoose were narrated by Dr. McLean. Once he met a squaw who had buried her baby by hanging it up in the cleft of a tree. She was very scantily clothed, on a mournful occasion, while the day before she had been well clothed and had plenty of beads. Her lower limbs were cut and bleeding, and she had cut a finger off with a knife. She went about wailing, "Come back! Oh come back!" All of the Indian agony which she had discarded she believed would go to the happy hunting grounds with the papoose.

Dr. McLean said that civilization was finding its way among the Redskins. He had influenced an Indian child to bury his son. The Indian, however, would only have the body placed a foot under ground.

Chased by a Mother Bear.

On one occasion Alex Tremblay, the Perry Sound hunter and trapper, took a number of traps out to a district. Leaving a muskrat and eye of a small lake on the Perry Sound

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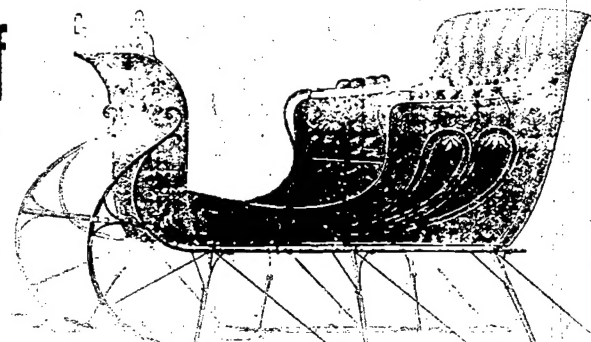
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The adjourned sale of Lands advertised to be sold for arrears of taxes, with costs will be held Thursday the twenty-second day of January 1903, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon at the Town Hall, Rat Portage.  
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Under and by virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the High Court of Justice and to me directed at the suit of John Gardner and Co., Plaintiffs, against the Rainy Mining and Development Company of Ontario, Limited, Defendants, I have seized and taken into execution and will offer for sale by Public Auction at my office, in the Court House in the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, on Thursday the Twenty Second day of January, A. D. 1903, at 12 o'clock noon. The following property: all the estate, right, title and interest of the Tycoon Mining and Development Company of Ontario, Limited, in or out of the following: Free hold lands which are all situate in the said District of Rainy River:—  
(1) Freehold Parcel 1135, being Islands, D. 219 containing 3 acres, D. 220, containing 1 acre, D. 221, containing 1 acre, situate on Bag Bay, of Shoal Lake, West of the Lake of the Woods.  
(2) Parcel 2025 Location J. E. S. 54 being the land under the water of Bag Bay, surrounding Islands, D. 219, D. 220, D. 221, containing 29 acres.  
Titles to the above are under the Land Titles Act.  
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SHERIFF OF THE DISTRICT OF RAINY RIVER.  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, RAT PORTAGE, OCT. 11th 1902

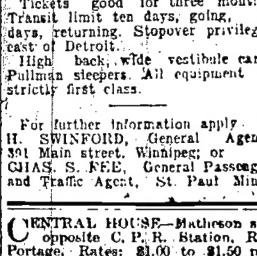
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## THE BANK OF OTTAWA.

We publish in this issue of the Miner the Annual Report of the Bank of Ottawa, and those who have followed the progress of this institution will notice by the statement that this concern has doubled its business during the last ten years.

This year has been a prosperous one all over the Dominion, and no other institution presents a clearer reflex of the Canadian business aspect than does the Bank of Ottawa. The two banks at the Head of Lake of the Woods, situated only three miles apart, are reflecting the progress and advancement of this section, and there is but little doubt that the head offices fully realize the importance of these branches, and appreciate as fully as ourselves, the significance of the almost unique position we occupy on Lake of the Woods. The Keweenaw branch is managed by Mr. Hood, and the handsome white block on Main street here which contains the beautiful offices of the Bank of Ottawa is in charge of Mr. G. C. Pennock.

Detailed figures as given in the report of the annual meeting of the shareholders, may be emphasized. Ten years ago the bank capital was \$1,350,410; it has increased to \$2,000,000, or by about one half, and now a further increase of a million is required. The Bank's reserve or real fund, was \$1,015,919, ten years ago, to-day it is \$1,860,000. Ten years ago, the deposits in the bank were under four million dollars; they are now nearly twelve million dollars.

In 1892, the bank's notes in circulation were just over one million; at present, they are nearly two million. The bank's loans and discounts which in 1892 were about six millions, are now over twelve millions. The bank has six branch offices a decade ago, it now has thirty-four.

No other bank in Canada has shown such growth during the past ten years. Taking the business of all the banks together as summarized in the official returns to the government, the banking capital of Canada has increased by thirty per cent. since 1892, namely from \$1,000,000 to \$1,300,000,000. The Bank of Ottawa's capital is 50 per cent. larger. Bank expansion has grown from a total of \$25,000,000 in 1892, to \$30,000,000, now, or 20 per cent.; the Bank of Ottawa's reserve has been increased 100 per cent.; Bank deposits which ten years ago totaled \$10,000,000 are now nearly \$100,000,000, an increase of nearly 1000 per cent.

# BANK OF OTTAWA

## Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of Shareholders—A Highly Satisfactory Report Presented—The President's Remarks Mr. Charles McGee Retires From The Presidency—Mr. George Hay Elected President.

Ottawa, December 10.—The 25th annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Ottawa, was held in the Board Room of the Bank on Wednesday, the 10th of December.

Among those present were—Messrs Allan, J. Roberts; Ballantyne James; Bate, H. N.; Bate, Newell, Bate, W.; Bearman, James; Bringham, T. G.; Browne, J. C.; Bryson, Hon. Geo.; Bryson, Jas. W.; Blackburn, L.; Christie, John; Cunningham, J. F.; Edwards, A. H.; Egan, H. K.; Fraser, Alexander; Fraser, J. D.; Fraser, J. B.; Hay, George; Gemill, J. D.; Henderson, G. F.; Mather, John; Murphy, Dennis; MacLaren, J. B.; MacLaren, Albert; Magee, F. A.; Miller, J. P.; Magee, Charles; MacLaren, J. B.; Murphy, J. L.; Oculi, W. S.; Perley, G. H.; Rankin, Colin; Russell, C. E.; Sweetland, Sheriff; Tradwell, C. W.; Wilson, P. J.; White, J. G.; Wilson, G. J.

The President, by resolution, having taken the chair, and the General Manager having been requested to act as secretary, the following report was submitted—

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Directors have pleasure in presenting the Twenty-eighth Annual Report, showing the result of the Bank's business for the year ended 31st November, 1902.

The Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account of the 30th of November, 1901, was \$64,856.7 The net profits for the year ending November, 1902, after deducting expenses of management, and making necessary provision for interest due to depositors, unearned interest on current discounts, and for all bad and doubtful debts

Appropriated as follows:— Dividend No. 52 4 1/2 per cent., paid 2nd of June, 1902 \$90,000.00 Dividend No. 53 4 1/2 per cent., payable 1st of Decr, 1902 90,000.00 Applied in reduction of Bank premises and furniture 14,187.55 Carried to Rest Account 100,000.00

Balance Carried forward to credit of Profit and Loss Acct 69,273.01

The balance at credit of Rest Account is now \$1,865,000.00

In order to take advantage of the improved condition of business in the Northwest, branches of the bank have been established since the last Annual Meeting at Emerson, Man., and Prince Albert, Sask. New branches have also been opened in Ontario at North Bay, and Maxville. So far as your directors can judge, satisfactory results are promised at each of these points.

As the figures submitted show, the business of the different offices of the Bank for the year has been profitable, and the Bank has participated to some extent in the prosperous condition of the country generally.

At the Annual Meeting in 1901 your Directors were authorized to increase the Capital Stock to \$2,000,000. This authority was not availed of until 1899. During the three years which have elapsed since, a material expansion has taken place in business throughout the Dominion, necessitating increased banking facilities.

Your Directors think it advisable to ask for authority from the Shareholders at this meeting to issue new stock to the amount of \$1,000,000 to be allotted from time to time, in such amounts at such periods as the Directors may deem necessary.

Reference was made in the last annual Report to the increased accommodation needed by the staff at the Head Office, and to meet the growing

than in Canada and the United Kingdom	347,885.40	318,230.39
Dominion and Provincial Gov. Securities	464,252.77	464,252.77
British National War Loan and Consols	364,527.67	600,636.00
Canadian Municipal Securities or Foreign or Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian Railway and other bonds	348,214.89	494,419.04
Debentures and stocks	765,607.40	538,888.90

Calls and Short Loans, on Stocks and Bonds, in Canada	735,765.69	1,100,972.32
Current Loans in Canada	11,826,119.21	11,378,752.46
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	73,893.19	49,384.52
Real Estate, other than Bank Premises	7,075.81	7,648.22
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank	11,945.03	30,889.86
Bank Premises	150,000.00	185,000.00
	\$18,979,650.45	\$17,885,810.35

GEORGE BURN  
General Manager

### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Magee then said.—The report submitted to-day ought to be considered satisfactory by the Shareholders. The net earnings are \$29,921, less than last year, due chiefly to the fact, that during the year we have considered it good policy to hold larger reserves.

On the liability side of the general statement, there is an increase in deposits as compared with last year of \$1,454,283, and a decrease of \$553,257, in balances due to other banks in Canada and the United Kingdom.

On the assets side the increases are—Specie and Dominion Notes \$407,774, balances due from other banks in Canada, \$71,171. Canadian Municipal, Foreign and Colonial Securities, \$105,201; British Consols, \$336,108. Bank Premises, \$35,000; and in Call Loans, \$455,206. The decreases are—Railway and other Bonds, \$227,917. Current Loans, \$447,368. Overdue Debts, \$21,508. These figures show that although our resources are greater by about one million dollars, the Current and Call Loans together are about the same as last year.

A comparison of some of the principal items in the annual statement of 1892 with the figures submitted to-day, shows remarkable progress, and is as follows:—

	Capital	Reserve	Deposits	Circulation	Loans
1892	\$1,335,410	\$707,344	\$3,839,534	\$1,069,857	\$6,037,661
1902	\$2,000,000	\$1,865,000	\$11,853,200	\$1,874,196	\$12,549,724

In 1892 we had six branches, and at present we have thirty-four. Of the increase in the reserve \$445,000 was paid in by the Shareholders, during the period as premium on new capital subscribed, and it is not entirely fair to compare the ratio of increases between 1892 and 1902, with the previous ten years as the business of the country as shown by the return of exports and imports, as well as by the increase in deposits, in Banks, has advanced much more rapidly in the last decade.

Last year I directed attention to the inconvenience most of the bank experienced in regard to circulation, and indicated how, in my opinion, the difficulty could be surmounted, but I have not learned that the Bank's Association have made any representations to the Government, and Mr. Clouston, the President of the Association, at the last Annual Meeting, recommended an increase of capital, as the only practical means of obtaining relief. The three large banks that had a surplus of circulation, last year are now, owing to the great expansion of business, finding that they are also nearing the limit, and they cannot be relied upon to supply the needs of the other Banks. We are, therefore, face to face with the problem of how to find the necessary circulation to meet the wants of our business, and the only remedy we can suggest is to increase the capital of the Bank, and if you pass the by-law, to be submitted to-day, it is altogether likely the Directors will issue and allot half the amount, or \$500,000 in the proportion of one share to four as soon as the consent of the Treasury Board of the Dominion Government is obtained.

The Bank Premises account shows an increase of \$35,000, caused by the completion of some of the new buildings and other improvements under way at the beginning of the year. With the exception of two of the

### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

The usual votes of thanks to the directors and staff were passed, and by-laws increasing the number of directors to nine; increasing the capital stock of the Bank to three million dollars; also altering by-law No. 7, in relation to the remuneration to the directors.

The following resolutions were then passed— Moved by Mr. David MacLaren, seconded by Mr. J. Robert Allan, and resolved—

"That on the occasion of the retirement of Mr. Charles Magee, and in recognition and appreciation of his past services as Vice-President and President of the Bank, the General Manager be instructed to pay him ten thousand dollars."

Moved by Mr. George H. Perley, seconded by Mr. George Hay, and resolved—

"That this meeting desire to place on record its sense of regret at the loss to the Bank of the valuable advice of Mr. Alexander Fraser, by his retirement from the Board of directors, after being a member thereof since the organization of the Bank."

On motion of Mr. Denis Murphy, seconded by Mr. James Ballantyne, Messrs F. J. Wilson, and James D. Fraser, were appointed scrutineers, and after the ballot they reported the following gentlemen elected Directors for the ensuing year—Messrs. Henry Newell, Bate, Hon. George Bryson, Henry Kelly Egan, John Burns Fraser, George Hay, David MacLaren, John Mather, Denis Murphy, George Hasley Perley.

The meeting then adjourned. At a meeting of the newly elected board, held subsequently, Mr Geo. Hay was elected President, and Mr. David MacLaren, Vice-President, for the ensuing year.

## BUSINESS COLLEGE OPENS

This Important Institution is now Open. School in Carmichael Block.

Mr. E. J. O'Sullivan, C. E., M. A. arrived in town on Wednesday night, and he announces that he has completed all arrangements for opening the college. Mr. O'Sullivan says that the classes will only be carried on 6 months, so that all who wish to enter should give in their names at once. The advertisement of the institution appears on page five of this issue of The Miner.

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Those who wish to secure a Short-hand or Business education AT HOME should take advantage of this opportunity, and thereby save the expense connected with taking a similar course elsewhere.

### APPLICATION TO PARLIAMENT.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of Ontario at its next session, for an act incorporating a company, under the name of the Fort Frances, Manitoba and Northern Railroad company to construct, maintain and operate a line of railway, wherein either steam, electric or other motive power may be used from a point on the International boundary of Minnesota at or near Fort Frances, thence following the canoe route, on by the most feasible and practical route, past, Lower Manitow Lake, along the Peninsula between Upper Manitow Lake and Manitow Strait, crossing the rapids of, navigable stream between Upper Manitow Lake and Manitow Straits, past Summit Lake, Peak Lake, Rock Island Lake, crossing the line of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, at a point at or near Dunwike, to a point at or near, Minnetake Lake, and to point at, or near, Lake Seul, also a branch road beginning on the main line, herein described, at or near Manitow Lake, by the most feasible route to a point at or near the line of the Canadian Pacific Railroad at or near Dryden. Also to build such other branch roads as may be necessary or expedient to the proper operation of the proposed road, with power to construct, maintain and operate, telegraph and telephone lines and electric power, in connection with such railroad, and to sell power for mining, milling or other purposes.

Dated at Toronto this 11th day of December, 1902.

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to-day it is \$1,865,000. Ten years ago, the deposits in the bank were under four million dollars; they are now nearly twelve million dollars. In 1892, the bank's notes in circulation were just over one million; at present, they are nearly two million. The bank's loans and discounts which in 1892 were about six millions, are now over twelve millions. The bank has six branch offices a decade ago, it has now thirty-four.

No other bank in Canada has shown such growth during the past ten years. Taking the business of all the banks together as summarized in the official returns to the government, the banking capital of Canada, has increased by nearly 10 per cent since 1892, mainly from \$61,000,000 to \$66,000,000; the Bank of Ottawa's capital is 50 per cent, larger. Bank reserves have grown from a total of \$25,000,000 in 1892, to \$30,000,000 now, or 60 per cent; the Bank of Ottawa's reserve has been increased 1.0 per cent; Bank deposits which ten years ago totaled \$16,000,000 are now nearly \$20,000,000, an increase of 140 per cent; the deposits in the Bank of Ottawa are 200 per cent greater than in 1892. Bank loans and discounts in Canada, totaling \$28,000,000 ten years ago are not much more than double, in this respect alone, the Bank of Ottawa, has deftly kept pace with the average banking progress; and this species of progress is one in which conservatism is the safest policy.

It is not of course fair to compare the statistics of growth of very old and long established banking institutions with those of younger ones which are obliged to look vigorously to occupying new territory; as it happens, whereas the older institutions, with already a large business demanding their energies, are resting more content with solidifying and improving what they have. But, while everybody understands this, it is perhaps fairly illuminating to note how the increasing figures of the Bank of Ottawa compare with, for instance, those of the greatest financial institution of the American hemisphere, the Bank of Montreal. In the past decade, the Bank of Montreal has fully maintained its splendid place in the world of finance, but most of its percentages of increase of business are small as compared with those of the Bank of Ottawa. The Bank of Montreal's reserve has increased proportionately little, its circulation the same, the deposits are less than doubled, the loans and discounts only one third more than in 1892.

In 1892 we had six branches, and at present we have thirty-four. Of the increase in the reserve \$415,000 was paid in by the Shareholders, during the period as premium on new capital subscribed, and it is not entirely fair to compare the ratio of increases between 1892 and 1902, with the previous ten years as the business of the country as shown by the return of exports and imports, as well as by the increase in deposits, in Banks, has advanced much more rapidly in the last decade.

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There has been a gratifying increase in the number of shareholders, sixty during the year. At the last annual meeting the list showed there were 393 shareholders, and now there are 363.

The country has again been blessed with bountiful crops and business continues to be prosperous. This bank has, I think, received its full share of the increase, consequent upon this continued prosperity.

The recent intimation that the Grand Trunk Railway Company were going to extend their line to the Pacific has been heartily received by press and the Public of the Dominion, as the most important announcement, since the construction of the Canadian Railway.

The completion and opening of the Canadian Northern from Port Arthur to near Prince Albert, in time for the moving of the crops last season, was of great assistance to the farmers of the West, and if the Grand Trunk is extended westerly from North Bay, on the northerly route suggested, it will give a third outlet for the products of the West, and more particularly of the Saskatchewan Valley.

The vigorous prosecution of this work, and the opening of this new territory, will stimulate the business activity of the whole Dominion, and largely to our population, and tend to prolong the prosperous period we are now enjoying.

Whilst on a visit to the branches in the Northwest, with Mr. Mather, and the General Manager, in September last, we were much struck with the rapid development of the country, and no one who has not gone through this Western land, in the harvest time, can realize the enormous growth and expansion that is taking place, and if this Bank will judiciously extend its operations on the same conservative lines it has been doing in the past, to meet the requirements of the new territory to be opened up, it will, I am sure, add greatly to its influence and prosperity.

The Assets of the bank were better in better or more liquid form than they are at present, and its resources never more capable of taking up new business, which is constantly being offered.

And now, Gentlemen, I think I need not make any further comment on the report, but I have a few remarks of a personal nature to make. At the regular weekly meeting of the Directors, held on Monday last, I informed the Members of the Board that I had decided not to allow my name to be submitted to the Shareholders for reelection to-day. You have shown your confidence in me by electing me a Director every year, since the Bank was established in 1874. I was Vice-President from 1874, to 1892, when I was elected President. During all these years I have endeavored to do my duty to the best of my ability and judgement. I have been able to work harmoniously with my fellow directors and the General Manager, for the advancement of the Bank, and during this time we have never had any serious differences of opinion on matters of policy. It is owing to this harmonious working together as a board, that we have achieved success. I became interested in the work, which was congenial to me. I was proud of the progress of the Bank, and looked upon my duties here as an important part of my life work.

My retirement will afford promotion to others, and I hope the newly elected Board will select Mr. Hay to fill the position I am vacating, as he is deserving of it. He has served on the Board the same length of time as I have, and is every way worthy your confidence. I wish to thank you for the trust you have reposed in me, for so long, and to ask you to acquiesce in my desire to retire.

Mr. Mather then read the minutes of the Directors, referring to his retirement, and that of Mr. Alexander Fraser, who had also announced his intention of retiring, and moved the adoption of the Report.

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STONE AND ROCKEFELLER

Their Early Clash in Standard Oil and its Results.

In the early days of the Standard Oil company one of the heaviest stockholders was the late Amasa Stone of Cleveland, whose daughter Clara is now Mrs. John Hay. Mr. Stone was at that time reputed to be the wealthiest man in northern Ohio. According to the directors' boards of the Standard Oil company, but of banks and railroads and rolling mills, and in everything having the name of being a "millionaire" man. It was due to this "last trait in the capitalist's character" that he left the best "money maker" with which he was ever associated, the oil company. His associate, President John D. Rockefeller, was in those days scarcely known outside of a narrow circle of Cleveland friends.

As the story is now told, the cause of Mr. Stone's departure from the board was the quiet refusal of the young president to be ruled by the older man's opinions. Several times there had been differences between the two, all of which, however, had been smoothed over without any breaking off of business relations. But at last at a board meeting held during an evening in the private office of one of the directors came an open break. While Mr. Stone was laying down the law on a mooted point Mr. Rockefeller interrupted him with:

"Just a moment, Mr. Stone. I want you to know before this discussion goes any further that you can run your rolling mills and banks as you please, but you can't run Standard Oil."

There was a moment's silence, and then Mr. Stone said, "I presume you stand ready to buy my stock, Mr. President?"

To Mr. Rockefeller's "Certainly" Mr. Stone merely said, "I'll take \$100,000, and my offer holds good from 10 o'clock tomorrow morning until a quarter after." Then he picked up his hat and walked from the room.

At 10 the next day a friend of Mr. Rockefeller's was at Mr. Stone's office, and the sale was consummated. It was this which gave the prewar presidents of the great company its first extraordinary holding of the Standard Oil stock.

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black cross and decorated with eagles and Imperial crowns, which in Germany denotes the Kaiser's presence, and which no German ever mistakes for the national flag. Our own Royal Standard should not be vulgarized in the present unmeaning fashion. The national flag, the flag of the

ora, in the Union Jack, there seems to be a vague impression in many quarters that any combination of these colors may be flown, if a Union Jack, Red or White Ensign, pilot flag, or signal of distress is not handy. Hence the display of so many foreign tri-colors, the familiar French flag, the Dutch flag with its bands of

We can make our lives sublime  
(If it's true that time is money)  
If we only have the time.

—

Conscience.

Berenice—You surely don't indulge  
in whist during Lent?

Hortense—But, my dear, we do it for

Students of the Canadian situation can best understand the magnitude of the heritage the British in the past have been so careless about, and are now at this day growing so solicitous for, by comparing the Canadian areas with those of the United Kingdom itself and the Euro-

**Useful Purposes of Rosin.**  
There are many useful purposes to which rosin can be applied outside of those of general practice. As a non-conductor of heat it is used in the protection of water pipes, particularly in crossing bridges, where the pipe is laid

THIS IS NOT PRINTED IN SCOTLAND BUT IN CAPE BRETON  
WHICH IS MORE SCOTCH THAN SCOTLAND. THE HIGH  
LAND CLANS, PROSPERITY OF THE PEOPLE.

ves upon the water, and back of it  
trans-d'Or, and it is bits to us  
occur in its modest moods. The  
rise and fall of the tide is small,  
that the water goes always to  
lapping the same high of the sand.  
Along these shores one may find  
the oyster and the clam, and the  
clam; and fancy he was stroll-

hollows, which are filled with a marshy lagoon or pond. Such a place while they are waiting for the water to rise, as a paradise of the sportsman and the fisherman, are the haunts of flocks of ducks and other waterfowl. The great barrier of the northern peninsula of Cape Breton



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*Always the leader. Always the same—  
Always the best—  
Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea*

## CLIMATE OF THE YUKON.

Weather Report Based on  
Scientific Observations of  
Seven Years.

So many conflicting statements as to the severity of the climate of Dawson City and the Yukon have been in circulation during the past few years that a true statement of it will doubtless be of interest. Such a statement has been prepared by the Weather Bureau, and is correct so nearly as scientific observations can make it.

The statement is as follows:—  
A somewhat broken series of observations at Dawson and various other places in Yukon Territory between 1895 and 1898 and a continuous series at Dawson during the past three years, afford data for estimating, with a fair degree of accuracy, the average climatic conditions of the Klondike. The average annual mean temperature is about 22 degrees; the mean of the three summer months is about 57 degrees; July being 61 degrees; and of three winter months 16 degrees below zero, with January 23 degrees below zero. Spring may be said to open towards the end of April, the last zero temperature of the winter usually occurring about the 5th of this month. May, with an average temperature of 44 degrees, is by no means an unpleasant month, and the 23rd is the average date of the last frost of spring. Fully observations during five summers indicate that, on the average, the temperature rises to 70 degrees or higher on 46 days, and to 80 degrees on 14 days; 90 degrees was recorded in Dawson in June, 1899, and 95 degrees in July of the same year. These temperatures with much bright sunshine and an absence of frost during these months together with the long days of a latitude within a few degrees of the Arctic Circle, are sufficient for the success so far achieved by market gardeners near Dawson in growing a large variety of garden produce, including lettuce, radish, cabbages, cauliflower and potatoes; and support the belief that the hardiest fruit could both in parts of Yukon Territory and in the far northern districts of the Mackenzie River Basin. Vegetation would appear to be the average date of the first autumnal frost, the temperature rapidly declining towards the close of the month. Although night frosts are not infrequent in September, the growth is a good deal retarded by a mean temperature of 42 degrees. October may be fairly termed a winter month, the mean temperature being but 25 degrees, and the first zero of winter recorded on the average about the 15th. The season begins to run in the Yukon.

Mortgage Sale  
OF  
VALUABLE FREEHOLD PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the powers of sale contained in two certain mortgages, which will be produced at the time of sale, dated the 10th day of June, 1895, and the 20th day of June, 1898, respectively, there will be offered for sale by public auction on Saturday, the 3rd day of January, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, by R. J. Parrott, Auctioneer, at the Town hall in the Town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, the following property, namely:—

PARCEL NO. 1—Lot number two situate at Norman in the Municipality of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, containing eleven hundred and one acres, more or less, as shown on plan of survey by T. R. Deacon, Ontario Land Surveyor, dated 28th of August, 1893, of record in the Department of Crown Lands, subject to the reservations, and exceptions contained in the original patent from the Crown, namely:—The free use, passage and enjoyment of it, in, over and upon all navigable waters, which shall or may be on or under or shall or may flow through or upon any part of the said land; also right of access to the shores of all rivers, streams and lakes, for all vessels, boats and persons, together with the right to use so much of the banks thereof, not exceeding one chain in depth from the water's edge, as may be necessary for fishing purposes; subject to the exceptions and qualifications mentioned in Section 11 of the Land Titles Act, being the freehold land registered in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage, as Parcel No. 173 in the Register for the District of Rainy River.

PARCEL NO. 2—All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, and province of Ontario, and being composed of the north half of Lot Number Fifty-eight in Block Four (2) in the Town of Rat Portage, according to a plan of said Town certified by John W. Harris, P. L. S., and duly filed in the Registry office for the District of Rainy River, said north half of said Lot having a frontage of seventy-five feet on Matheson street, saving and excepting out of said north half that part thereof reserved by the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. for a right-of-way for spur track, agreed to be conveyed by the Hudson Bay Company to the Ontario and Western Lumber Company Limited.

On Parcel No. 1, there is said to be erected a two story frame six roomed dwelling 12' X 26' with addition 12' X 10'.  
On Parcel No. 2 there is said to be erected a two story seven roomed frame dwelling 25' X 12' with addition 12' X 10'.  
Parcel No. 1, is a Torrens Title.

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## Silk Mufflers

In Pretty Stripe or Plaid Designs.  
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## Ladies' Gloves and Mitts.

Fine Mocha Mitts in new Tan shades fleece lined

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Black and Colored Kid Gloves, silk lined

at \$1.75 a pair.

Novelties in  
Ladies' Ties.

We have just received some of the newest creations in Ladies Ties and Collars in silk and chiffon.

at 50, 75, \$1.00 and \$2.00 each.

## Furs! Furs! Furs!

Ladies Skating Muffs, in Electric Seal, Astrachan and Skunk, with tails

at \$6.00 and \$6.50 each.

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In Ruffs and Capelines we have a large assortment to choose from, in Sable, Persian Lamb, Stone Martin, etc.

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Some very exclusive styles in belts to be had here, got specially for Xmas trade

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Men's Fine Mocha Gloves and Mitts silk or fleece lined

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## Xmas Handkerchiefs.

What makes a nicer Christmas present than half a dozen handkerchiefs, Ladies pure linen hdkfs, hemstitched at 12 1/2 cents each. Pretty Lawn hdkfs, embroidered or with lace edge and insertion

20, 25, 35 to 75c each.

## Ladies' Dress Slippers.

In a Fine Quality of Dongola and Vici Kid, medium or French heel

at 1.50, 2.00, 2.50 and 4.00 a pair.

Men's Pure Irish Linen Hdkfs, hemstitched with or without initial

at 20, 25 and 30c each.

## Ties.

In all the Newest Shapes and Colors

at 25, 50, 75 each.

Hints From the Shoe Department.

Ladies Felt House Slippers in Roman Shape with fur trimming

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Observations of rain and snow have been made since the day of last summer have been fragmentary, but it is probable that the summer rainfall near Dawson is equally between seven and nine inches, and that the total snowfall at the autumn and winter is between 20 and 30 inches.



In every town and village may be had, the

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**D. N. SCHNARR, Dentist, Office:**  
Over Perrier's Store, Second St.  
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**D. R. D. MARSHALL, Dentist, Office:**  
Block, Main St., Rat Portage. Office hours—9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Office, Bank of Ottawa Building,  
Cor. Main and Fort Streets, Rat Portage.

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Parcel No. 1, is a Torrens Title. The property will be offered for sale in two parcels, each subject to a reserve bid.

TERMS OF SALE:—Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale and the balance in 30 days.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to,  
MACDONALD & BOLAND,  
2 Toronto St., Toronto, Ont.

Or to Boyce and Draper, Barristers at Law, Rat Portage.  
Dated at Toronto, the 29th day of November, 1902.

## APPLICATION TO PARLIAMENT.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario at the next session thereof for an Act to incorporate The Lac Seul, Rat Portage and Keewatin Electric Railway with power to construct and operate a system of Electric Railways beginning at some point at or near Lac Seul in the District of Rainy River and Province of Ontario and continuing in a southerly direction through the town of Rat Portage and Townships of Keewatin to a point at or near Shoal Lake of the same Province and District aforesaid with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines and electric power upon and along and in connection with the said Railways and to sell power for dining, milling and other manufacturing purposes.

C. W. CHADWICK,  
Main St. Rat Portage.  
(for the applicants.)  
Dated at Rat Portage, this 3rd day of November, 1902.

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## Advertisement of Sale.

## Judicial Sale of Property in the District of Rainy River.

Pursuant to the Order of Thomas W. Chapple, Esquire, Local Master of the Supreme Court of Judicature, made in the action of James Gibson, and H. E. Hook, against John August McCarthy, and Douglas Hamilton there will be offered for sale with the approbation of Thomas W. Chapple, Esquire, Local Master of the Supreme Court of Judicature at Rat Portage, by R. J. Parrott, Auctioneer, in the Town Hall at the Town of Rat Portage, at two o'clock in the afternoon, on Thursday, the 15th day of January, 1903, ALL AND SINGULAR, that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Rainy River, and being composed of Mining Location, 13 S. V. Manitou, Lake, in the District of Rainy River being Freehold Parcel 735. The property will be offered for sale subject to a reserved bid.

The purchaser shall pay twenty per cent of the purchase money at the time of sale, to the vendors or their solicitors, and the balance in thirty days thereafter into Court to the credit of this action, without interest. The terms and conditions of sale will be the standing conditions of this Court.

Further particulars may be had from Messrs. Boyce & Draper, Solicitors for the above named plaintiffs Moran & Mackenzie or from T. R. Ferguson, solicitor for the above named defendants, Rat Portage, Ontario.

DATED this 29th day of October, A. D. 1902.  
(Signed.) T. W. CHAPPLE,  
Local Master of the Supreme Court of Judicature.

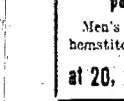
I hereby direct that the within advertisement be inserted in the Rat Portage Miner, one in each week for three weeks, commencing the 5th day of December, A. D. 1902 and fifty copies of said advertisement be also sent by the solicitors of the parties, to the prospective purchasers, leading mining brokers, etc., and affidavits of mailing filed with me.

(Signed.) T. W. CHAPPLE  
Judge.



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- Caley's Caracoles, of all kinds.
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Plum Puddings in Tins. Mince Meat. New Table Figs.  
TRY A YARD OF OUR CANDY AT 60 CENTS OR A FOOT AT 25 CENTS.  
FANCY CHINA.

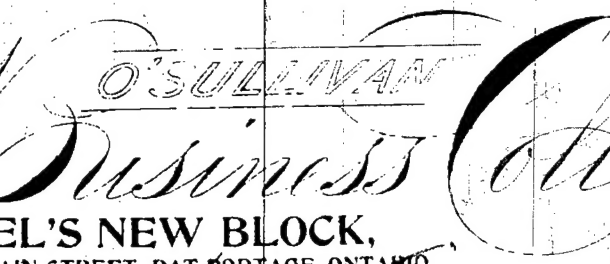
WE HAVE SOME HANDSOME AND FANCY PIECES LEFT IN RICH GILT AND COBALT JUST THE THING FOR XMAS GIFTS.

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# THE GLASGOW HOUSE

## TWO WEEKS MORE STAPLE DEPARTMENT.

before our Store enlargements will be Complete, we are Disappointed of Course; in fact we would like to be in it now that we might find room to do Justice to our Magnificent Stock. We said "Two Weeks More," so the Contractor says—but—well everybody is so busy in Rat Portage you know, just up to the eyes in work and THAT'S OUR CASE EXACTLY.

**"UP TO THE EYES IN BUSINESS."**

Our store is thronged from early morning until closing time with happy and contented buyers. Before moving into our new Store those TWO WEEKS will be record breakers at THE GLASGOW HOUSE here are some Seasonable Bargains that mean money Saved for you.

## Ready to Wear Garments

Heavy Mercerized Sateen Underskirts regular price \$2.50. SALE PRICE \$1.90.  
Flannelette Blouses all this seasons styles regular price \$1.25. SALE PRICE 90c.  
Ready to Wear Hats—We have still a good assortment of those and not any two alike. For this two weeks sale we will give 25 per cent off on all Ladies Ready to Wear Hats.

Flannelette Blankets full size regular price \$100. SALE PRICE 70 cents per pair.  
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Check Apron Gingham wide width regular price 15 cents. SALE PRICE 10 cents per yard.  
Wrapperette in all the latest blouse patterns regular price 12 cents. SALE PRICE 8 cents per yard.  
Grey Blankets heavy weight, regular price \$3.25. SALE PRICE \$2.50

## Dress Goods Department.

Heavy Tweed Dress goods fall wear regular price 30 cents. SALE PRICE 20 cents.  
Melton cloth in Black 50 inches wide regular price 50 cents. SALE PRICE 35 cents per yard.  
Irish Frieze, 54 in. wide very heavy suitable for unlined Skirts in heather mixtures, regular price \$1.25. SALE PRICE 75 cents per yard.  
Costume Serge in Navy and Black 54 in. wide all wool regular price \$1.50. SALE PRICE \$1.10 per yard.

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Large and Well-Lighted Sample Rooms.



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Without apparent reason,  
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Comes with the Xmas season.

**Xmas Tit-Bits**

Something for the Palate  
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**Christmas  
Photos  
NOW  
Don't Put It Off!  
BANKS**

## LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. William Peters, returned to day from Combine mine.

Mr. Andrew C. Hastings of the Scramble mine, is in town.

The School Board will hold a special meeting next Monday to hear the charges against Mr. Preston.

First class Turkeys, Geese, and Ducks for Xmas, at Bottom Prices, at Campbell Bros., Maple Leaf store.

tion of Christmas cheer. All donations will be gratefully received and acknowledged through the Press.

The Church of Christ holds its last service in Lily Hall next Sunday. The pastor, M. P. Hayden, will preach sermons appropriate to the Christmas season, both morning and evening. All are cordially invited to these services.

There will be a pie-social in the Salvation Army Barracks, on Friday, Dec. 19th, also a welcome meeting to Capt. and Mrs. Gilham, of Calgary, Alberta, who are going to take charge of the work here. All are welcome.

General Manager Halstead, returned with Captain Z. Williams, of Rat Portage, from Summit Lake Mining properties on Tuesday evening. This (Thursday) morning, Mr. Halstead, leaves for Detroit, accompanied by his family, and will return to Wabigoon early in the new year.—Star.

Eating Seals in England.

The water bailly of London brought a "quick" seal to court, receiving 20 shillings 8 pence (1630), and in the same year the item "for bringing a cele" 15 shillings occurs. Seals were eaten.

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The Firemen's Grand Ball will be held to-night in the new Carmichael Block.

R. J. Parrott, will open a second hand store at the corner of Main and 1st street.

The special Christmas music in Zion church next Sunday will be of a very high order.

Mrs. W. Chas. McLean, leaves for Port Arthur on Sunday night, accompanied by her son Keith, to spend the Xmas holidays.

Principal Andrew of the O'Sullivan Business College, arrived in town on Wednesday. The classes will be opened on the first Monday in January.

The Rinks have been pitched for the seasons curling, a large number of new members appearing on the list this year.

The stores are all lit up in their Christmas illuminations ready for the big holiday trade which will start on Saturday night.

Messrs. H. M. and Angus Sutherland, will sing duets in Knox church at both morning and evening services on Sunday next.

Piper Stewart has returned to town from Winnipeg, and musical enthusiasts are making an effort to have him stay here permanently.

Dr. Schnarr had his house dedicated last night—or was it this morning?—by Piper Stewart, who played many weird airs to solemnize the event.

Messrs. Cameron and Heap, the wholesalers gave their local manager, A. G. Plunkett, a unique Xmas present, viz, a trip down east. Mr. Plunkett leaves to-morrow morning to start enjoying his Christmas box.

The merchants and citizens in general are requested to remember the Jubilee Hospital in their distribu-

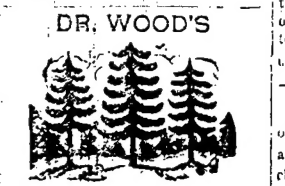
service in Lay Day next Sunday. The pastor, M. P. Hayden, will preach sermons appropriate to the Christmas season, both morning and evening. All are cordially invited to these services.

There will be a pie-social in the Salvation Army Barracks, on Friday, Dec. 19th, also a welcome meeting to Capt. and Mrs. Gilham, of Calgary, Alberta, who are going to take charge of the work here. All are welcome.

General Manager Halstead, returned with Captain Z. Williams, of Rat Portage, from Summit Lake Mining properties on Tuesday evening. This (Thursday) morning, Mr. Halstead, leaves for Detroit, accompanied by his family, and will return to Wabigoon early in the new year.—Star.

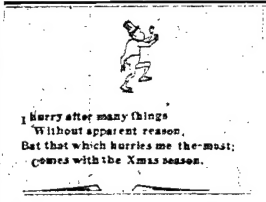
**Eating Seals in England.**  
The water bailly of London brought a "quick" seal to court, receiving 20 shillings 8 pence (1300), and in the same year the item "for bringing a cele" 15 shillings occurs. Seals were eaten, though they may have been kept as a curiosity. One was presented to Cromwell, Wolsey's successor in Henry's favor, though it died before he could have derived much pleasure from it. Perhaps he ate it. At Henry VII's wedding feast in 1487 one of the dishes was "seale in fenny, entirely served richly," and very rich it must have been. In Cromwell's accounts for 1537 William Wodehouse's servant brings a porpoise, and porpoises we know are eaten.

**Highdown Language.**  
In the east the flow of language in praise of rulers is sometimes wonderful. The Burmese greeting Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, at the Royal Palace, declared that "his glory shines resplendent as the orb of day, his intellect is as far-reaching as the lightning. May he be as glorious as the sun and moon!"  
The Prince of Wales was extolled by an oriental subject as "great, thier" under the impression that this was the highest possible compliment. Another monarch was named "the protector of all vegetables, regulator of the seasons, absolute master of the ebb and flow of the sea."



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Rt. Ex. Companion, Judge Chaplin, of Rat Portage, District Superintendent of the Royal Arch Chapters, will, it is expected visit Shuniah Chapter, No. 82, Royal Arch Masons, at their regular meeting on Friday, the 19th, inst., in the Masonic Lodge, Port Arthur. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance of the brethren, that on occasion to welcome His Honor. —Port Arthur Chronicle

We have not advanced the price of our tobaccos. Amber smoking tobacco, Bobs, Currency and Fair, lay chewing tobaccos are the same size and price to the consumer as formerly. We have also extended the time, for the redemption of Snowshoe tags to January 1st, 1903.  
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